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**RE:** Response After Final to Office Action of April 25, 2005  
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**Message:**

**Please see attached response.**

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FOR: "Locking Cover For Wells and Underground Tanks"

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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

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Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated April 25, 2005. A shortened statutory period was set to expire three months from the date of the action, making a response due by July 25, 2005. Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response for one month from July 25, 2005 to August 25, 2005.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the application as follows (additions are underlined and deletions are shown in strikeout):